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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS

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E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: CASC, NI

SUBJECT:CASE OF RAYMOND BAKER

REF: LAGOS 6546

FOR AMBASSADOR

1. BAKER VISITED AF/W MAY 26 AND REQUESTED THAT FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE SENT TO YOU: QUOTE: AS PER OUR WASHINGTON CONVERSATION, I WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE REQUEST OF YAR'ADUA THE IMMEDIATE RESTORATION OF MY RESIDENCE PERMIT, CLEARANCE FOR MY UNHIBITED TRAVEL TO NIGERIA, AND ASSURANCE THAT I AM WELCOME TO RETURN TO MY LONG TERM BUSINESS INTERESTS. GEORGE OSUCHUKWU, THE GROUP SECRETARY FOR OUR NIGERIAN DIVERSIFIED INVESTMENTS COMPANIES, HAS BEEN WITH ME THIS WEEK AND REPORTS CONTINUED DETERIORATION IN OUR GROUP AND CONTINUED INTEREST BY FIKA, PERSEC OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS, IN OPPOSING RETURN OF MY RESIDENCE PERMIT. A FIRM AND INSISTENT APPROACH AND FOLLOW UPS WITH YAR'ADUA IS NECESSARY TO CLEAR THIS MATTER. PLEASE KEEP ME INFORMED OF EFFORTS AND PRO-  
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SPECTS. BEST REGARDS. RAYMOND BAKER. UNQUOTE

2. BAKER VISITED US BEFORE RECEIPT OF REFTEL BUT WE HAVE SINCE DISCUSSED IT WITH HIM. HE WAS UNAWARE OF ATTORNEY'S APPROACH TO NSO OR OF HER IDENTITY, ALTHOUGH HE WAS AWARE THAT GEORGE OSUCHUKWA HAS BEEN CONSULTING AN ATTORNEY REGARDING THIS CASE. HE HOPES THAT EMBASSY

WILL NOT WAIT FURTHER ON THE EFFORTS OF FABUNMI  
OR THE ATTORNEY BUT WILL PROCEED TO APPROACH YAR'ADUA.  
HE REMINDED US OF YOUR STATEMENT OF MAY 4 THAT YOU  
EXPECTED TO SEE BAKER'S RESIDENCE PERMIT RETURNED  
IN TWO RPT TWO WEEKS OR TO PROCEED WITH APPROACH  
TO YAR'ADUA. VANCE

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